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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS CONTROL -- REQUEST FOR INFORMATION RE
NARCONON

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1. SUMMARY: A BERLIN GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL HAS ASKED THE
EMBASSY TO OBTAIN INFORMATION AND AN EVALUATION OF THE
NARCONON REHABILITATION PROGRAM OF LOS ANGELES, CALIF-
ORNIA. END SUMMARY.

2. THE DIRECTOR OF THE BERLIN GOVERNMENT DRUG CONTROL
PROGRAM, DR. KLEMM, HAS WRITTEN TO THE EMBASSY EXPLAINING
THAT "NARCONON," A DRUG AND ALCOHOL REHABILITATION ORGAN-
IZATION, HAS OPERATED IN BERLIN SINCE 1973. ACCORDING
TO KLEMM, THE GROUP IS ASSOCIATED WITH THE "SCIENTOLOGY
CHURCH" AND UTILIZES THE PRINCIPLES OF "DIANETICS" DEV-
ELOPED BY L. HUBBARD; THE DIRECTOR OF NARCONON IN THE
U.S. IS MARK JONES, 833 BEACON AVE., LOS ANGELES, CALIF-
ORNIA (TEL. 213-487-1088). KLEMM STATES THAT THE NARC-
ONON OFFICE IN BERLIN HAS BEEN SENDING ADDICTS TO ITS
REHABILITATION CENTER IN SWEDEN FOR TREATMENT - EVIDENTLY
WITH SATISFACTORY RESULTS. THE NARCONON GROUP NOW WISHES
TO ESTABLISH A REHABILITATION CENTER IN BERLIN AND HAS
ASKED THE BERLIN SENAT FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT. IN
ORDER PROPERLY TO EVALUATE NARCONON'S REQUEST FOR FINAN-
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CIAL AID, DR. KLEMM HAS REQUESTED THE EMBASSY TO OBTAIN

INFORMATION ON THE NARCONON PROGRAM IN THE U.S., AND, IN ADDITION, A PROFESSIONAL EVALUATION OF THE PROGRAM BY A COMPETENT SPECIALIST ATTACHED TO A USG AGENCY SUCH AS THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF MENTAL HEALTH. DR. KLEMM HAS INDICATED HIS HOPE FOR AN EARLY RESPONSE, SINCE HIS OFFICE' DECISION TO APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO NARCONON MUST BE MADE SOON.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE A TELEGRAPHIC REPLY PROVIDING INFORMATION AND PROFESSIONAL EVALUATION RE THE NARCONON PROGRAM. MORE DETAILED INFORMATION AND ASSESSMENT COULD BE POUCHED SUBSEQUENTLY.

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